



CATCH

Central Arkansas Team Care
for the Homeless

CATCH Board Meeting Minutes
Friday, January 19, 2024 @ 9am

Attendees: Matthew Desalvo (Salvation Army), Harriett Phillips (CLR), Ben Goodwin (Our House), Greg Chastine (St. Francis House), Chris Porter (CLR), Tracey Shine (CLR), Cecilia Cole (CLR), Lekita Colclough (WCF), Michelle Spencer (City of Jacksonville), Carol Miles (DePaul USA), Andre' Jones (VA), Dr. FranSha Anderson (ASILC), Artina Blackmon (People Trust), Arlo Washington (People Trust), Eric Gammons (TA), Jana Hunter (LRSD), Mallory Visser (LRPD), Nancy Mixon (100 Families), LaShanna Bruce, Deanna Walderns (100 Families), Kanisha Larry (Immerse), Alex Bryant (SW LRPD), Lurenda Duren (DHS)

Missing Attendees: Ashley Young (BCD)

Meeting: Quorum present-12 of 13

10:00am-Meeting call to order by Matthew DeSalvo- President

- Introduction by each member given their organization name and title.
- **Governance Charters and Bylaws with Eric Gammons**
Eric gave a review and overview on Governance Charters and Bylaws provided by Ashley Kerr.
 - ❖ CoC Membership
 - ❖ Collaborative Applicant
 - ❖ CoC Board of Directors (CoC Board)
 - ❖ Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Lead Agency
 - ❖ Coordinated Entry Lead Agency
 - ❖ CoC Board of Directors
 - ❖ Have at least one board member to be former or homeless representative

Any decision will need to be voted on by the Membership group as a final decision.

CATCH Coordinator (Cecilia Cole) informed board members if anything is posted on the CATCH website and it requires a response to please respond whether it's a yes or no. Some information is being requested from higher management.

- **PIT count-**
CATCH Coordinator (Cecilia Cole) gave an overview of the PIT Count and how many shelters will participate in the 2024 count. Lynn Hemphill and Cecilia Cole have contacted the shelters for their 2024 participation. Also, volunteers will be assigned shelter site locations once the final

shelter has been contacted (Lynn is working on contacting that agency). No additional requirement is needed for the PIT Count. The PIT Count-HMIS meeting with the HMIS Lead Agency (People Trust) will be later this morning around 11am.

➤ **Housing Update-**

Matthew, Harriett, Brian (HNP AD) met with Metropolitan Housing Alliance to help support and partner with them on Landlords relationship, get them back on board with CATCH, and assist with any public housing information that may need to be communicated. Pt. 2 meeting will be rescheduled due to wintry weather.

➤ **Winter Weather Plans-**

No agencies stated their winter weather plans.

Harriett- she will be meeting with NLR to see how they are keeping their shelter open for an extended amount of time.

Matthew & Salvation Army- assisted with Saline County warming center. Saline County had tons of help from the different churches in community to help assist with extending the warming center hours.

Matthew- the City of Little Rock, and the Van are taking on a big responsibility to assist with the homeless shelter warming center and would like to have the community more involved including the CATCH membership group and organizations. He feels the warming center can stay open longer with the community's help and support.

Matthew -Salvation Army provided additional cots for their warming center.

Arlo-People Trust provided emergency shelter for several families, emergency rent and utilities and hotel (Eagle Suites).

Michelle- City of Jacksonville & First Presbyterian Church opened a shelter from 6pm-6a and during a day throughout the weekend of the wintry weather. Also, served food. Currently it is still open. Jacksonville has limited resources, but conversation has been started for the community.

➤ **Special Projects-**

HMIS Regional Coordinator was voted on for Salvation Army to be the housing agency.

Discussion between Salvation Army, ESG and People Trust and Salvation Army decided to cancel that proposal with vote today from board and membership for People Trust to house that position (HMIS Regional Coordinator) within their agency for data management to recruiting new agency.

❖ Chris Porter motion, Michelle Spencer second that motion

Micro Home Village (Carol Miles)-will not open until the 3rd quarter, each unit to have its own sperate bathroom/shower. Communal Center will change because less bathroom will be needed. Advisor board meets monthly.

Recap of meeting (Matthew)-

A Governance Charter will be provided to all board members for review, planning, and notes.

Also, keep working with Ashley and Eric-HUD TA providers, live discussion at board meeting in February to have final document ready to send to membership, elect officers and other priority moving forward.

➤ **Agency Announcements**

PIT Count next week – January 24, 2024

St. Francis House has 40 veterans with 2 of those veterans with children (head count 44)

➤ **Adjournment – 10:26am**